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SUBJ: 63RD ECOSOC: HUMAN SETTLEMENTS (AGENDA ITEM 10)

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1. SET FORTH BELOW AS PARA 2 IS AN ADVANCE COPY OF THE  
TEXT OF A DRAFT RESOLUTION PRESENTED BY THE AFRICAN  
GROUP. (DOCUMENT WILL BE DESIGNATED CRP.3 LXIII.)  
DISCUSSION OF CONFERENCE ROOM PAPERS BEGINS MONDAY  
MORNING JULY 11.

2. QUOTE  
RECALLING ITS RESOLUTION 2040(LXI) OF 5 AUGUST 1976 ON THE  
REPORT OF HABITAT: UNITED NATIONS CONFERENCE ON HUMAN SETTLEMENTS,

TAKING INTO ACCOUNT GENERAL ASSEMBLY RESOLUTION 31/115 AND 31/116  
OF 16 DECEMBER 1976 AND GENERAL ASSEMBLY DECISION 31/411 REGARDING  
THE UNHHSF AS WELL AS CHAPTER IV OF THE REPORT OF THE GOVERNING  
COUNCIL OF UNEP ON THE WORK OF ITS 5TH SESSION (UNEP/GC/106).

BEING AWARE THAT THE AD HOC COMMITTEE ON THE RESTRUCTURING  
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OF THE ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL SECTORS OF THE UNITED NATIONS SYSTEM  
IS CONSIDERING PROPOSALS THAT WOULD HAVE IMPLICATIONS FOR INS-  
TITUTIONAL ARRANGEMENTS FOR INTERNATIONAL CO-OPERATION IN THE  
FIELD OF HUMAN SETTLEMENTS,

HAVING CONSIDERED THE REPORT OF THE SECRETARY GENERAL ON  
CONTAINED IN DOCUMENT

RECOMMENDS TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY TO ADOPT AT ITS 32ND SESSION  
THE FOLLOWING DRAFT RESOLUTION

INSTITUTIONAL ARRANGEMENTS FOR INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION IN  
THE FIELD OF HUMAN SETTLEMENTS 1/

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY,

RECALLING RELEVANT RESOLUTIONS OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY, IN  
PARTICULAR RESOLUTIONS 2718(XXV), 3001(XXVIII) AND 3326(XXIX)

CONVINCED OF THE NEED FOR URGENT ACTION TO IMPROVE THE QUALITY  
OF LIFE OF ALL PEOPLE IN HUMAN SETTLEMENTS;

RECOGNIZING THAT SUCH ACTION IS PRIMARILY THE RESPONSIBILITY OF  
GOVERNMENTS;

CONSCIOUS THAT HUMAN SETTLEMENTS PROBLEMS REPRESENT A PRIMARY  
FIELD OF ACTION IN INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION, WHICH SHOULD BE  
STRENGTHENED IN ORDER TO FIND ADEQUATE SOLUTIONS, BASED ON  
EQUITY, JUSTICE AND SOLIDARITY, ESPECIALLY AMONG DEVELOPING  
COUNTRIES;

RECOGNIZING THAT THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY, BOTH AT THE GLOBAL  
AND REGIONAL LEVELS, SHOULD PROVIDE VALUABLE ENCOURAGEMENT AND  
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SUPPORT TO GOVERNMENTS DETERMINED TO TAKE EFFECTIVE ACTION TO AMELIOR  
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CONDITIONS, ESPECIALLY FOR THE LEAST ADVANTAGED, IN RURAL AND  
URBAN HUMAN SETTLEMENTS;

RECOGNIZING THAT HUMAN SETTLEMENTS AND THE STEPS TO BE TAKEN TO  
IMPROVE THEM SHOULD BE CONSIDERED AN ESSENTIAL COMPONENT OF  
SOCIO-ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT;

RECALLING THE DECISION OF THE UN CONFERENCE ON THE HUMAN  
ENVIRONMENT, AS WELL AS THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE WORLD POP-  
ULATION CONFERENCE, THE UN WORLD FOOD CONFERENCE, THE SECOND  
GENERAL CONFERENCE OF THE UN INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT ORGANIZATION,  
THE WORLD CONFERENCE OF THE INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S YEAR; THE  
DECLARATION AND PROGRAMME OF ACTION ADOPTED BY THE SIX SPECIAL  
SESSIONS OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE UNITED NATIONS AND THE  
CHARTER OF ECONOMIC RIGHTS AND DUTIES OF STATES THAT ESTABLISH  
THE BASIS OF THE NEW INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC ORDER;

1/ PREAMBULAR PARAGRAPH 8 AND SUB-PARAGRAPH (C) OF PREAMBULAR  
PARAGRAPH 14 ARE REPRODUCED FROM THE VANCOUVER DECLARATION OF  
PRINCIPLES (PREAMBULAR PARAGRAPHS 3 AND 8 RESPECTIVELY). THIS

WAS RECOMMENDED BY COMMITTEE I OF THE CONFERENCE IN FOOTNOTE  
(A) OF RESOLUTION I.

AWARE OF THE SECTORAL RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE ORGANIZATIONS  
OF THE UNITED NATIONS SYSTEM,

CONSCIOUS OF THE NEED TO ACHIEVE GREATER COHERENCE AND EFFECT-  
IVENESS OF HUMAN SETTLEMENTS ACTIVITIES WITHIN THE UNITED NATIONS

SYSTEM, HAVING IN MIND THE DISCUSSIONS PRESENTLY GOING ON IN  
THE AD HOC COMMITTEE ON THE RESTRUCTURING OF THE ECONOMIC  
AND SOCIAL SECTORS OF THE UNITED NATIONS SYSTEM,

RECOGNIZING THAT NEW PRIORITIES MUST BE IDENTIFIED AND ACTIVITIES  
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DEVELOPED TO REFLECT COMPREHENSIVE AND INTEGRATED APPROACHES TO  
THE SOLUTION OF HUMAN SETTLEMENTS PROBLEMS,

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CONVINCED THAT PROMPT CONSOLIDATION AND STRENGTHENING THE  
CAPACITY OF THE UNITED NATIONS SYSTEM IN THE FIELD OF HUMAN  
SETTLEMENTS IS ABSOLUTELY NECESSARY,

RECOGNIZING THAT URGENT STEPS MUST BE TAKEN TO ENSURE A BETTER

MOBILIZATION OF THE FINANCIAL RESOURCES AT ALL LEVELS WITH A VIEW  
TO IMPROVING HUMAN SETTLEMENTS,

BELIEVING THAT:

(A) THE CURRENT LEVEL OF RESOURCES AVAILABLE FOR DEVELOPMENT  
PURPOSES  
PARTICULARLY FOR HUMAN SETTLEMENTS, IS CLEARLY INADEQUATE;

(B) THE EFFECTIVE DEVELOPMENT OF HUMAN SETTLEMENTS HAS BEEN  
HINDERED BY GREAT DISPARITIES IN SOCIO-ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT WITHIN  
AND BETWEEN COUNTRIES;

(C) THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A JUST AND EQUITABLE WORLD ECONOMIC  
ORDER THROUGH NECESSARY CHANGES IN AREAS OF INTERNATIONAL TRADE,  
MONETARY SYSTEMS, INDUSTRIALIZATIONS, TRANSFER OF RESOURCES,  
TRANSFER OF TECHNOLOGY, AND THE CONSUMPTION OF WORLD RESOURCES,  
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IS ESSENTIAL FOR SOCIO-ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND IMPROVEMENT OF  
HUMAN SETTLEMENTS, PARTICULARLY IN DEVELOPING COUNTRIES;

I. INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION IN THE FIELD OF HUMAN SETTLEMENTS  
AFFIRM THAT:

1. INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION IN THE FIELD OF HUMAN SETTLEMENTS  
SHOULD BE VIEWED AS AN INSTRUMENT OF SOCIO-ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT;

2. THE FUNDAMENTAL ROLE OF INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT CO-  
OPERATION IS TO SUPPORT NATIONAL ACTION. THEREFORE, PROGRAMMES  
FOR DEVELOPMENT CO-OPERATION IN THE FIELD OF HUMAN SETTLEMENTS  
SHOULD BE BASED ON THE POLICIES AND PRIORITIES ESTABLISHED IN  
THE RECOMMENDATIONS FOR NATIONAL ACTION;

3. IN SEEKING DEVELOPMENT CO-OPERATION, COUNTRIES SHOULD GIVE  
DUE PRIORITY TO HUMAN SETTLEMENTS;

4. REQUESTS FOR DEVELOPMENT ASSISTANCE SHOULD NOT BE SUBJECT  
TO DISCRIMINATION ON THE PART OF THE INSTITUTIONS TO WHICH THESE  
REQUESTS ARE ADDRESSED;

5. TECHNICAL CO-OPERATION SHOULD BE MADE AVAILABLE TO COUNTRIES  
REQUESTING ASSISTANCE IN POLICY FORMULATION, MANAGEMENT AND  
INSTITUTIONAL IMPROVEMENT RELATING TO HUMAN SETTLEMENTS;

6. TECHNICAL CO-OPERATION SHOULD BE MADE AVAILABLE TO DEVELOPING  
COUNTRIES REQUESTING ASSISTANCE IN EDUCATION AND TRAINING AND  
APPLIED RESEARCH RELATING TO HUMAN SETTLEMENTS;

7. FINANCIAL AND TECHNICAL DEVELOPMENT CO-OPERATION SHOULD BE

MADE AVAILABLE TO COUNTRIES REQUESTING ASSISTANCE FOR, INTER ALIA,  
PROJECTS IN SELF-HELP AND CO-OPERATIVE HOUSING, INTEGRATED RURAL  
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DEVELOPMENT, WATER AND TRANSPORTATION;

8. ALL GOVERNMENTS SHOULD GIVE SERIOUS CONSIDERATION TO CONTRIBUTING TO THE UNITED NATIONS HABITAT AND HUMAN SETTLEMENTS FOUNDATION AS SOON AS POSSIBLE TO EXPEDITE ACTION PROGRAMMES IN THE FIELD OF HUMAN SETTLEMENTS;

9. EMERGING CONCEPTS AND PRIORITIES REGARDING HUMAN SETTLEMENTS IN DEVELOPING COUNTRIES PRESENT NEW CHALLENGES TO THE POLICIES AND CAPABILITY OF DEVELOPMENT ASSISTANCE AGENCIES IN DONOR COUNTRIES AND TO INTERNATIONAL BODIES. THEREFORE, MULTILATERAL AND BILATERAL DEVELOPMENT ASSISTANCE AGENCIES SHOULD RESPOND EFFECTIVELY TO REQUESTS FOR ASSISTANCE IN THE FIELD OF HUMAN SETTLEMENTS; SPECIAL ATTENTION SHOULD BE PAID TO THE NEEDS OF THE LEAST ADVANTAGED COUNTRIES PARTICULARLY IN THE PROVISION OF LONG-TERM LOW-INTEREST MORTGAGES AND LOANS TO FACILITATE THE IMPLEMENTATION OF SETTLEMENTS ACTIVITIES IN THE LEAST DEVELOPED COUNTRIES THAT SIMPLY WITH EXISTING CRITERIA;

10. INFORMATION SYSTEMS SHOULD BE STRENGTHENED IF NECESSARY AND BETTER CO-ORDINATED, AND STRONGER LINES ESTABLISHED ON A REGIONAL LEVEL BETWEEN HUMAN SETTLEMENTS AND RESEARCH INSTITUTIONS IN DIFFERENT COUNTRIES;

11. MANY INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS CARRY OUT ACTIVITIES RELATED TO HUMAN SETTLEMENTS. SPECIALIZED AGENCIES AND OTHER RELEVANT BODIES IN PARTICULAR UNICEF, UNDP, UNFPA, WFP, ILO, FAO, UNESCO, WHO AND THE WORLD BANK SHOULD SERIOUSLY CONSIDER THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE HABITAT CONFERENCE WITH A VIEW TO THEIR IMPLEMENTATION IN THEIR RESPECTIVE FIELDS OF COMPETENCE;

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## II. GLOBAL INTERGOVERNMENTAL BODY

### DECIDES

1. TO DISSOLVE THE EXISTING COMMITTEE ON HOUSING, BUILDING AND PLANNING AND TO DESIGNATE THE GOVERNING COUNCIL OF THE UNITED NATIONS ENVIRONMENT PROGRAMME AS THE GLOBAL INTERGOVERNMENTAL BODY FOR HUMAN SETTLEMENTS WHICH FOR THAT PURPOSE WILL BE CALLED COMMISSION ON HUMAN SETTLEMENTS AND WHICH SHALL CONVENE AS SUCH ON ONE SESSION EVERY YEAR DURING THE PERIOD 1972-1980 AND EVERY OTHER YEAR THEREAFTER; THE MEETINGS OF THE COUNCIL AS THE COMMISSION ON HUMAN SETTLEMENTS CAN TAKE PLACE IN DIFFERENT REGIONS PROVIDED THAT THERE IS NOT EXTRA COST TO THE UNITED NATIONS;

2. RECOMMENDS THAT THE COMMISSION ON HUMAN SETTLEMENTS SHALL HAVE THE FOLLOWING MAIN OBJECTIVES:

(A) TO ASSIST COUNTRIES AND REGIONS IN INCREASING AND IMPROVING THEIR OWN EFFORTS TO SOLVE HUMAN SETTLEMENTS PROBLEMS;

(B) TO PROMOTE GREATER INTERNATIONAL CO-OPERATION IN ORDER TO INCREASE UNCLASSIFIED

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THE AVAILABILITY OF RESOURCES OF DEVELOPING COUNTRIES AND REGIONS;

(C) TO PROMOTE THE INTEGRAL CONCEPT OF HUMAN SETTLEMENTS AND TO ENCOURAGE THE COMPREHENSIVE APPROACH TO HUMAN SETTLEMENTS PROBLEMS IN ALL COUNTRIES;

(D) TO STRENGTHEN CO-OPERATION AND CO-PARTICIPATION AMONG DEVELOPING AND DEVELOPED COUNTRIES AND REGIONS;

3. RECOMMENDS THAT THE COMMISSION ON HUMAN SETTLEMENTS SHALL HAVE THE FOLLOWING MAIN FUNCTIONS AND RESPONSIBILITIES:

(A) TO DEVELOP AND PROMOTE POLICY OBJECTIVES, PRIORITIES AND GUIDELINES REGARDING ONGOING AND PLANNED PROGRAMMES OF WORK IN THE FIELD OF HUMAN SETTLEMENTS AS FORMULATED IN THE RECOMMENDATIONS

OF HABITAT CONFERENCE AND SUBSEQUENTLY ENDORSED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY;

(B) TO FOLLOW CLOSELY THE ACTIVITIES OF THE UNITED NATION SYSTEM AND OTHER INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS IN THE FIELD OF HUMAN SETTLEMENTS AND TO PROPOSE, WHEN APPROPRIATE, WAYS AND MEANS BY WHICH THE OVER-ALL POLICY OBJECTIVES AND GOALS IN THE FIELD OF HUMAN SETTLEMENTS WITHIN THE UNITED NATIONS SYSTEM MIGHT BEST BE SERVED;

(C) TO STUDY, IN THE CONTEXT OF THE RECOMMENDATIONS FOR NATIONAL ACTION, NEW ISSUES, PROBLEMS AND ESPECIALLY SOLUTIONS IN THE FIELD OF HUMAN SETTLEMENTS, BOTH THOSE OF A NATIONAL CHARACTER WHEN THEY ARE OF CONCERN TO MANY STATES, AND THOSE OF A REGIONAL OR INTERNATIONAL CHARACTER;

(D) TO EXERCISE OVER-ALL POLICY GUIDANCE AND SUPERVISION OF THE OPERATIONS OF THE UNITED NATIONS HABITAT AND HUMAN SETTLEMENTS  
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FOUNDATION;

(E) TO REVIEW AND APPROVE PERIODICALLY THE UTILIZATION OF FUNDS AT ITS DISPOSAL FOR CARRYING OUT HUMAN SETTLEMENTS ACTIVITIES AT THE GLOBAL, REGIONAL AND SUB-REGIONAL LEVELS;

(F) TO PROVIDE OVER-ALL DIRECTION TO THE SECRETARIAT;

### III. HUMAN SETTLEMENTS SECRETARIAT

DECIDES:

1. THAT A SMALL AND EFFECTIVE SECRETARIAT BE ESTABLISHED UNDER THE AUSPICES OF AND ACCOMMODATED WITH THE UNITED NATIONS ENVIRONMENT PROGRAMME TO SERVE AS A FOCAL POINT FOR HUMAN SETTLEMENTS ACTION AND CO-ORDINATION WITHIN THE UNITED NATIONS SYSTEM;

2. THAT THE UNITED NATIONS HABITAT AND HUMAN SETTLEMENTS FOUNDATION SHALL CONSTITUTE THE CORE OF THE HUMAN SETTLEMENTS SECRETARIAT;

3. THAT THE SECRETARIAT SHALL BE HEADED BY A DEPUTY EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF UNEP FOR HUMAN SETTLEMENTS AT THE ASSISTANT SECRETARY GENERAL LEVEL WHO SHALL BE IN THE MEANTIME THE ADMINISTRATOR OF THE UNITED NATIONS HABITAT AND HUMAN SETTLEMENTS FOUNDATION;

4. THE DEPUTY EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF UNEP FOR HUMAN SETTLEMENT SHALL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR THE MANAGEMENT OF THE HUMAN SETTLEMENTS SECRETARIAT WHICH SHALL COMPRISE THE POSTS AND BUDGETARY RESOURCES OF THE FOLLOWING;

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(A) THE CENTRE FOR HOUSING, BUILDING AND PLANNING OF THE  
DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL AFFAIRS;

(B) THE APPROPRIATE SECTION OF THE DEIVSION OF ECONOMIC AND  
SOCIAL PROGRAMMES OF THE UNEP DIRECTLY CONCERNED WITH HUMAN  
SETTLEMENTS;

(C) THE UNITED NATIONS HABITAT AND HUMAN SETTLEMENTS FOUNDATION;  
(D) AS APPROPRIATE, SELECTED POSTS AND ASSOCIATED RESOURCES FROM  
RELEVANT PARTS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL AFFAIRS;

5. THAT THE HUMAN SETTLEMENTS SECRETARIAT UNDER THE LEADERSHIP OF  
THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF UNEP AND HIS DEPUTY FOR HUMAN SETTLEMENTS  
SHALL BE ENTRUSTED, INTER ALIA, WITH THE FOLLOWING RESPONSIBILITIES:

(A) TO ENSURE THE HARMONZATION, AT INTERSECRETARIAT LEVEL, OF  
PROGRAMMES PLANNED AND CARRIED OUT BY THE UN SYSTEM;

(B) UNDER THE GUIDANCE OF THE COMMISSION ON HUMAN SETTLEMENTS TO  
ASSIST IN CO-ORDINATING HUMAN SETTLEMENTS ACTIVITIES WITHIN THE UNITE  
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NATIONS SYSTEM, TO KEEP UNDER REVIEW THEIR IMPLEMENTATION AND TO  
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ACCESE THEIR EFFECTIVENESS;

(C) TO EXECUTE PROJECTS ON BEHALF OF UNDP;

(D) TO PROVIDE THE FOCAL POINT FOR A GLOBAL EXCHANGE OF INFORMATION ON HUMAN SETTLEMENTS;

(E) TO PROVIDE SUBSTANTIVE SUPPORT TO THE COMMISSION ON HUMAN SETTLEMENTS;

(F) TO DEAL WITH INTERREGIONAL MATTERS;

(G) TO SUPPLEMENT THE RESOURCES OF THE REGIONS WHEN SO REQUIRED, PARTICULARLY IN AREAS OF SPECIALIZATION;

(H) TO PROMOTE COLLABORATION WITH, AND INVOLVEMENT OF THE WORLD SCIENTIFIC COMMUNITY CONCERNED WITH HUMAN SETTLEMENTS;

(I) TO ESTABLISH AND MAINTAIN A GLOBAL DIRECTORY OF CONSULTANTS AND ADVISERS TO SUPPLEMENT THE SKILL AVAILABLE WITHIN THE SYSTEM AND TO ASSIST IN THE RECRUITMENT OF EXPERTISE AT THE GLOBAL LEVEL, TAKING INTO ACCOUNT THE EXPERTISE IN DEVELOPING COUNTRIES;

(J) TO INITIATE MAJOR PUBLIC INFORMATION ACTIVITIES IN CONNECTION WITH HUMAN SETTLEMENTS;

(K) TO PROMOTE THE FURTHER AND CONTINUED USE OF AUDIO-VISUAL MATERIAL RELATED TO HUMAN SETTLEMENTS;

(L) TO CARRY OUT THE MANDATE AND RESPONSIBILITIES PREVIOUSLY ASSIGNED BY THE APPROPRIATE LEGISLATIVE BODIES TO THE SECRETARIAT UNITS TO BE ABSORBED IN THE CENTRAL STAFF;

(M) TO IMPLEMENT PROGRAMMES UNTIL THEY ARE SHIFTED TO THE REGIONAL ORGANIZATIONS;

#### IV. ORGANIZATION AT THE REGIONAL LEVEL

DECIDES THAT:

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1. THE REGIONAL ECONOMIC COMMISSIONS ESTABLISH INTERGOVERNMENTAL REGIONAL COMMITTEES ON HUMAN SETTLEMENTS, COMPRISING ALL MEMBERS, WHERE SUCH COMMITTEES DO NOT ALREADY EXIST;

2. THE REGIONAL COMMITTEES SHOULD BE ESTABLISHED AS SOON AS POSSIBLE TO CO-ORDINATE THEIR ACTIVITIES WITH THE COMMISSION ON HUMAN SETTLEMENTS, AND REPORT THROUGH THE APPROPRIATE REGIONAL COMMISSION TO COMMISSION ON HUMAN SETTLEMENTS;

3. THE RESPONSIBILITY FOR IMPLEMENTING REGIONAL AND SUBREGIONAL PROGRAMMES, SHOULD BE GRADUALLY SHIFTED TO THE REGIONAL ORGANIZATIONS;

4. EACH REGIONAL COMMITTEE SHOULD BE SERVED BY A SMALL UNIT OF

THE SECRETARIAT OF THE PARENT REGIONAL COMMISSION UNDER A EXECUTIVE OFFICER

WHICH UNIT WHOULD BE ESTABLISHED DURING 1977-78 AND SHOULD BE PROVIDED WITH THE NECESSARY RESOURCES FOR ITS OPERATION;

5. THE REGIONAL COMMITTEE SHOULD BE RESPONSIBLE FOR THE FORMULATION OF REGIONAL POLICIES AND PROGRAMMES AND FOR THEIR FINAL IMPLEMENTATION.

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6. THE POSTS AND BUDGETARY RESOURCES AVAILABLE TO EACH REGIONAL UNIT SHOULD BE MADE UP OF THOSE ALREADY AVAILABLE FROM THE REGULAR BUDGETARY RESOURCES AND THOSE REDPLOYED FROM THE AGGREGATE POSTS AVAILABLE TO THE CENTRAL SECRETARIAT;

7. THE PRINCIPAL FUNCTIONS OF THE REGIONAL STAFF WOULD BE  
(A) TO SERVE THE REGIONAL INTERGOVERNMENTAL BODY DESCRIBED ABOVE  
(B) TO REVIEW PROGRESS IN THE IMPLEMENTATION OF PROGRAMMES WITHIN THE REGIONS;

(C) TO PROMOTE THE ACTIVE COLLABORATION OF GOVERNMENTAL REPRESENTATIVES IN HUMAN SETTLEMENT RELATED ACTIVITIES;

(D) TO ASSIST GOVERNMENTS IN THE REGIONS IN THE FORMULATION OF THEIR REQUESTS FOR ASSISTANCE FROM THE APPROPRIATE BILATERAL AND MULTILATERAL BODIES;

(E) TO ESTABLISH CLOSE LINKS WITH THE APPROPRIATE FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS AT THE REGIONAL AND GLOBAL LEVELS AND WITH THE CORRESPONDING  
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REGIONAL AND SUBREGIONAL ECHELONS OF THE SPECIALIZED AGENCIES;

(F) TO FORMULATE, IMPLEMENT AND/OR SUPERVISE REGIONAL AND SUBREGIONAL PROGRAMMES AND PROJECTS;

8. THE REGIONAL AGENCIES ON HUMAN SETTLEMENTS WITH THE APPROVAL OF THE REGIONAL COMMITTEES IDENTIFY THOSE NATIONAL AND REGIONAL INSTITUTIONS WHICH ARE BEST ABLE TO PROVIDE SERVICES, TRAINING AND ASSISTANCE IN RESEARCH ON HUMAN SETTLEMENTS;

#### V. TERMS OF REFERENCE

DECIDES THAT:

1. AT BOTH THE GLOBAL AND REGIONAL LEVELS, HUMAN SETTLEMENTS ACTIVITIES AND PROGRAMMES SHOULD DEAL IN PARTICULAR WITH THE FOLLOWING SUBJECT AREAS:

- A. SETTLEMENT POLICIES AND STRATEGIES,
- B. SETTLEMENT PLANNING
- C. INSTITUTIONS AND MANAGEMENT,
- D. SHELTER, INFRASTRUCTURE AND SERVICES
- E. LAND
- F. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION,

2. THE FORMULATION OF PRIORITIES WITHIN THESE BROAD SUBJECT AREAS

BE IDENTIFIED BY THE COMMISSION ON HUMAN SETTLEMENTS IN CONSULTATION WITH THE REGIONAL COMMITTEES AND GOVERNMENTS ON THE BASIS OF THE NEEDS AND PROBLEMS OF THE REGION AND THE COUNTRIES WITHIN THE REGION:

3. THE FOLLOWING FUNCTIONS BE CONSIDERED ON A PRIORITY BASIS RELATED TO THE SUBJECT AREAS MENTIONED IN PARAGRAPH 1 ABOVE:  
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(A) IDENTIFICATION OF THE PROBLEMS AND POSSIBLE SOLUTIONS;  
(B) FORMULATION AND IMPLEMENTATION OF POLICIES;

(C) EDUCATION AND TRAINING;

(D) IDENTIFICATION, DEVELOPMENT AND USE OF APPROPRIATE TECHNOLOGY,  
AS WELL AS LIMITATION OF HAZARDOUS TECHNOLOGY;

(E) EXCHANGE OF INFORMATION, INCLUDING AUDIO-VISUAL INFORMATION;

(F) IMPLEMENTATION MACHINERY;

(G) ASSISTANCE IN THE MOBILIZATION OF RESOURCES AT THE NATIONAL AND  
INTERNATIONAL LEVEL;

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VI. PRIORITIES

DECIDES THAT:

1. BECAUSE FINANCIAL, TECHNICAL AND HUMAN RESOURCES ARE LIMITED,  
IT IS ESSENTIAL THAT PROGRAMMES, BOTH EXISTING AND NEW ONES,  
REFLECT A CLEAR SENSE OF PRIORITIES, THAT THE NUMBER OF FIELDS  
SELECTED FOR A CONCENTRATION OF EFFORT BE LIMITED AND THAT  
PHASING OF SUCH ACTIVITY BE PLANNED JUDICIOUSLY;

2. THERE BE AN ASSESSMENT OF THE EFFECTIVENESS OF EXISTING  
UNITED NATIONS PROGRAMMES IN THE FIELD OF HUMAN SETTLEMENTS,  
WITH A VIEW TO ENSURING THAT THEY CONFORM TO THE PRIORITIES  
AS STATED ABOVE;

VII. CONCERTED ACTION AND CO-ORDINATION

DECIDES THAT:

1. THERE MUST BE A SUSTAINED AND DETERMINED EFFORT, ON THE PART OF ALL ORGANIZATIONS MOST CLOSELY CONCERNED WITH HUMAN SETTLEMENTS, BOTH AT REGIONAL AND GLOBAL LEVELS, TO CONCERT THEIR UNCLASSIFIED

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PLANNED PROGRAMMES AND PROJECT:

2. THE EXISTING MECHANISMS OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE ON CO-ORDINATION MUST BE STRENGTHENED TO ENSURE THAT CO-ORDINATION IN THE FIELD OF HUMAN SETTLEMENTS IS EFFECTIVE THROUGHOUT THE WHOLE UNITED NATIONS SYSTEM;

VIII. LINKS WITH FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS

RECOMMENDS THAT:

1. THE SECRETARIATS CONCERNED WITH HUMAN SETTLEMENTS SHOULD ESTABLISH CLOSE LINKS WITH THE PRINCIPAL FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS AT THE REGIONAL AND GLOBAL LEVELS, ESPECIALLY WITH THE REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT BANKS AND THE IBRD;

2. THAT SPECIAL LINKS SHOULD BE ESTABLISHED BETWEEN THE UNDP AND THE HUMAN SETTLEMENTS UNIT, AT GLOBAL, REGIONAL AND NATIONAL LEVELS;

IX. COOPERATION WITH ORGANIZATIONS OUTSIDE THE UN SYSTEM

DECIDES THAT, AT THE GLOBAL AS WELL AS THE REGIONAL LEVEL, COOPERATION SHOULD BE SOUGHT WITH UNIVERSITIES, RESEARCH AND SCIENTIFIC INSTITUTES, NON-GOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATIONS, VOLUNTARY GROUPS, ETC., IN ORDER TO MAKE FULL USE OF THEIR KNOWLEDGE AND EXPERIENCE IN THE FIELD OF HUMAN SETTLEMENTS. AT THE INTERGOVERNMENTAL LEVEL THIS COOPERATION SHOULD BE FORMALIZED. AT THE SECRETARIAT LEVEL IT SHOULD BE REALIZED BY THE ESTABLISHMENT OF APPROPRIATE WORKING RELATIONS;

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